

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

Claims 6 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter applicant regards as the invention. As Examiner discerned, claims 6 and 7 were meant by Applicant to be dependent upon claim 3 rather than 4 and this has been corrected by the amendment shown above.

Claims 1, 2, and 8-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Reelee, et al.. (US Patent 5893037) in view of Kolling et al. (US Patent 6385585 B1). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

With respect to claims 1 and 9, neither Reelee nor Kolling disclose the claimed feature of a "visual representation of said captured images" provided along with a periodic statement of telecommunications services. Examiner cites Kolling (col. 9, line 53 – col. 10, line 9) where there is disclosed the supplying of a logo or other graphic on a periodic statement, or the including of enclosures along with the statement. A corporate logo or advertising enclosure, however, is not a visual representation of images captured by a customer. These images are instead supplied by a service provider. Examiner also cites Kolling, col. 18, line 64-65 as disclosing a complex telephone bill with several sections detailing several services, but no specific reference is made to images captured by a customer. Examiner also cites Kolling, col. 19 lines 9-15 (database files) and col. 19, lines 43-45 (invoices with various sections), but neither of these citations mentions images captured by a customer.

The combination of Reelee and Kolling thus fail to provide all the features of claims 1 and 9. Claims 2 and 8 are dependent upon claim 1 and stand or fall with claim 1. Claims 10 -14 are dependent upon claim 9 and stand or fall with 9.

Claims 3 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Reelee in view of Kolling, and further in view of Enomoto et al. (US Patent 5974401). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 3 and 7 are either dependent upon claim 1 or upon other claims dependent upon claim 1, and therefore stand or fall with claim 1. Since, as

argued above, Reele and Kolling fail to provide all the features of claim 1, the Enomoto reference does not disclose anything that would render claim 1 obvious.

Claims 4-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Reele, in view of Kolling and Enomoto, and further in view of Loeb et al. (US Patent 60164610). This rejection is also respectfully traversed.

Claims 4 and 6 are either dependent upon claim 1 or upon other claims dependent upon claim 1, and therefore stand or fall with claim 1. Since, as argued above, Reele and Kolling fail to provide all the features of claim 1, the Enomoto and Loeb references do not disclose anything that would render claim 1 obvious.

Claims 15 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kolling in view of Loeb. This rejection is also respectfully traversed.

Examiner cites Kolling as teaching the step of providing a visual representation of images taken during a time period but, as argued previously, neither Kolling, Fig. 12 nor any of the citations disclose a "hard copy index print of images taken". Examiner argues that the statement illustrated in Kolling, Fig. 12 discloses imaging services, but the only imaging service disclosed in Fig. 12 is for cable TV ("ABC" Cable), and a cable TV service is not normally understood to provide the capability to a customer to capture images. Since neither Kolling nor Loeb teach the feature of a "hard copy index print of images taken", the rejection is respectfully traversed.

For the reasons set out above, claims 6 and 7 as amended, and claims 1-5 and 8-16 should be allowed.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims in their present form are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Version With Markings to Show Changes Made

In the Claims:

Claims 6 and 7 have been amended as set forth below:

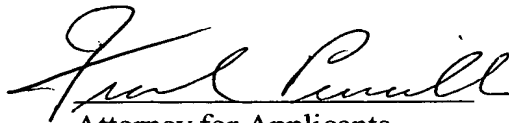
6.(Once Amended) A method according to claim [4] 3 wherein the step of ordering photofinishing goods and/or services further comprises placing an order by telephone.

7.(Once Amended) A method according to claim [4] 3 wherein the step of ordering photofinishing goods and/or services further comprises placing an on-line order via the internet.

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Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page(s) is captioned **"Version with Markings to Show Changes Made"**.

Respectfully submitted,

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